Family-Based Parole

Can I request parole for a family member?

Eligible applicants who are at least twenty-one years old may request parole for <u>certain</u> family members at the time of their immigrant visa or CFRP interview. Please note that this is the only chance the applicant will have to request parole.

I submitted my request for parole two weeks ago but haven't been notified by the U.S. Interests Section. Why?

Requests for Family-Based Parole take an average of six to eight weeks to be reviewed, sometimes longer, from the day the visa or travel documents were issued to the principal applicant. Please wait for the U.S. Interests Section to contact you.

Can I expedite my relative's interview appointment so that we can travel together to the United States?

The constraints under which the U.S. Interests Section operates make it difficult for us to meet the demand for earlier parole interview appointments unless there is an emergency situation that justifies the request for an expedited interview appointment. In such cases, you may send us a brief message using our "Contact Us" link available at our website.

How much does a parole cost?

The U.S. Interests Section does not charge a fee for the parole interview.

My request for family-based parole was approved. Why does my family member need to be interviewed?

Eligibility to participate in the Family-Based Parole Program does not guarantee that the applicant will be issued travel documents to immigrate to the United States with a parole status. All eligible family-based parole applicants must be interviewed by a consular officer at the U.S. Interests Section. All parole applications must undergo necessary administrative processing in order to verify the applicant's qualification to immigrate to the United States. Once completed, a final determination is made.

How can I schedule my family member's interview appointment?

Family-Based Parole applicants may ask their family members or associates in the United States to contact our Visa Information and Appointment Scheduling Service at 1-866-374-1769, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Callers pay a nominal fee to speak to the operators. The person calling should provide the applicant's unique parole case.

NOTICE

Beneficiaries of an immigrant visa or parole are not required to remain in Cuba during the process of a family-based parole case.
Beneficiaries of an immigrant visa or parole should travel to the United States during the validity of their visa or travel documents.

My request for parole was denied. Can I appeal this decision?

There is no appeal of a CP-3 parole denial, however, an applicant may submit a written request for reconsideration, within 90 days of the date of the adjudication, to:

U.S. Interests Section Referencia: reconsideración de parole Calle Calzada e/L y M Vedado Ciudad Habana 10400

For more information about this program please visit our website at

http://havana.usinterestsection.gov/family-based parole cp-3.html